

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims

Claims 1-39 are pending in the application.

Claims 11, 13, 15-20, 22, 24-28, 31-32 and 37 are currently cancelled.

Claims 1-10, 12, 14, 21, 23, 29-30, 33-36 and 38-39 remain in the application.

Claims 1-4, 6-8, 30, 33-36 and 39 are as previously presented.

Claims 5, 9-10, 12, 14, 21, 23, 29 and 38 are currently amended.

Claim amendments

Following the receipt of the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. §371 and after realizing the additional claim fees for the supplemental and multiple dependant claims, the Applicant has decided to amend the claims to reduce their number and to remove multiple dependant claims.

Accordingly, all the claims having multiple dependence have been either cancelled (i.e. claim 11) or amended (i.e. claims 5, 9, 10, 29 and 38) to become single dependent claims.

Moreover, certain claims (i.e. claims 10, 14, 21 and 23) have been amended to include the limitations of now cancelled claims.

No new matter has been added.

Respectfully submitted,

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